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IDAHO'S MOST TO HOLD PUBLIC HEARING APRIL 10, 2003

Idaho's MOST, a teaching quality initiative of the Idaho State Board of Education, is holding a public hearing to receive comments regarding proposed teacher policy changes. On Thursday, April 10, 2003 from 7:00pm to 9:00pm Mountain Time (6:00 to 8:00pm Pacific) the public can participate in this hearing through a statewide video link set up at the following locations:

Boise – JR Williams Building, 700 W. State of Idaho

Coeur d'Alene – North Idaho College Campus, LCSC Outreach Center videoconferencing room, 715 River Avenue

Idaho Falls – Eastern Idaho Technical College, John E. Christofferson Multipurpose Complex, Room 371

Lewiston – Lewis-Clark State College, Sam Glenn Complex, Room 50

Moscow – University of Idaho Education Building, Room 103

Pocatello – Idaho State University Library-Media Center, Room B66

Twin Falls – College of Southern Idaho, Canyon Building, Room 119

Idaho's MOST is seeking input from the public regarding policy proposals in four areas:

- tiered teacher licensure
- guidelines for teacher professional development
- alternative routes to teacher licensure, and
- middle level teaching preparation and certification.

The current draft of the recommendations and additional information can found on the Idaho's MOST website: www.sde.state.id.us/MOST. Public input on the recommendations can also be submitted via the website.

In 1998 the Idaho State Board of Education established the Idaho's MOST initiative to address teaching quality issues. Idaho's MOST – Maximizing Opportunities for Students and Teachers – has been working to draft recommendations to support quality teaching in Idaho. The final recommendations on teacher policy will be approved by the State Board of Education in August/October for presentation to the Legislature in 2004.

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